Environmental Aspects of International Agreements

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History

- Pre-90's (NATO SOFA; LBA; Def of Iceland; ROK.....)
- German SA??
- US-Japanese JS - 2000
- Korean SOFA Re-negotiations/MOSU - 2000/1
- Spanish DCA - 2001/2
- Korean LPP "TAB A" - 2003
- Greenland Defense Agreement 2004
- ROMEX 05 - 2005
- Romania DCA (& IAs) 2005/6
- Bulgaria DCA (IAs) 2006
- Djibouti SOFA (2006)
- Kyrgyzstan SOFA (2006)
- Iceland DOI Treaty/NASKef Closure (2006)

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Negotiations Strategy:

Past -
- Deal from a position of power
- Get the "best deal" we can

New Approach -
- Include environmental language
- Reciprocal obligations
- Enable the mission
- Protect the force
- Spend US dollars wisely
- Limit future US liability
- Demonstrate appropriate environmental stewardship

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Challenges:

- Revise policy to meet changing global posture
- Liability is more than fiscal
- Understand "global" nature of our actions